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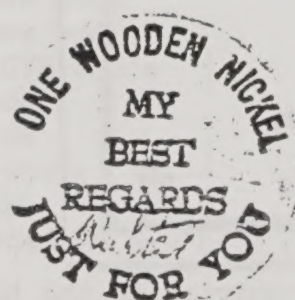
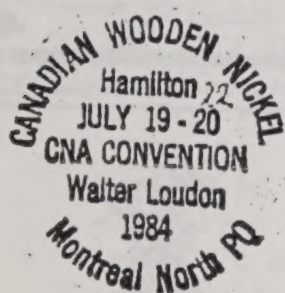
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DUES: Dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is \$7.50 (Canadian, or equivalent) per calendar year. Cheques or Money Orders should be made payable to CAWMC and mailed to our Membership Chairman - Don Robb, P.O. Box 724, Waterloo, Ontario N2J 4G2 Canada. You will note a "Dues Renewal Notice" in this issue of Timber Talk. If you have not renewed yet please complete the form and mail it and your dues to Don. Thanks.

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH: Thanks to CAWMC Member Walter Loudon of North Montreal for the two wood enclosed this month. Over the years Walter has been very generous with donating his wood. Thank you again Walter.

The wood pictured below, on the left, is printed in red (CNA information side - with the date correction in blue ink) and blue (CNA logo). The wood on the right is printed in red, with a blue signature.

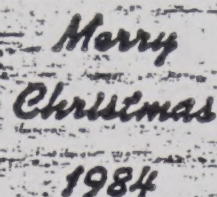


A REMINDER: Pressed Metal Products (505 Alexander Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6A 1C8) has announced an increase in prices for 1985. Medals are up about 39¢ each and dies about \$50.00. CAWMC has a die which can be used by any member. It is our logo. PMP will supply medals at the 1984 prices if the order can be completed before they close for the holidays in mid-December. If you wish to order, do so at once! More information, and prices can be found in the October 1984 issue of Timber Talk.

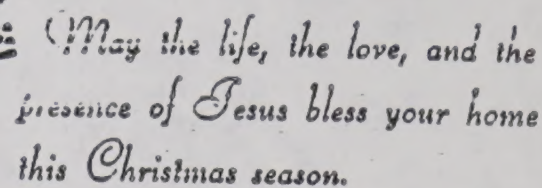
CHRISTMAS WOOD: Christmas wood is now coming in. On the next page some are depicted. More will be shown in coming issues. The round issue (from Mrs. H. Prince) is hot stamped in red - and is very attractive.

FOR SALE: CAWMC Member Ray Desjardins (dba Bonavita Ltd.) advises that he has a free listing of "Woods for Sale." Write to Ray at: P.O.Box 11447-Stn. 'H', Nepean, Ont. K2H 7V1.

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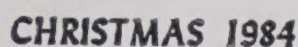


*Merry
Christmas
1984*



*May the life, the love, and the
presence of Jesus bless your home
this Christmas season.*

*Howard, Grace and
Mary Harris
Gatineau, Quebec Canada
Issue #4*

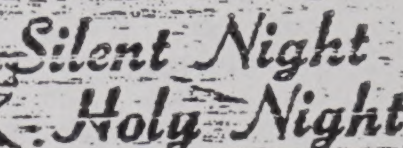


CHRISTMAS 1984

*Wishing you and your
family the Blessings
of Christmas, and Health
and Prosperity in the
New Year, 1985*

*Al Munro
Calgary, Alberta*

Printed in USA



*Silent Night
Holy Night*

Christmas 1984

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: (Last reported in the November 1984 issue of Timber Talk.)

LOST SHEEP: Envelopes addressed to the following two members have been returned. Does anyone have their proper address?

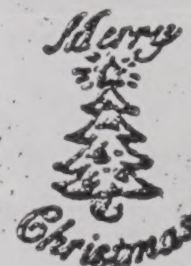
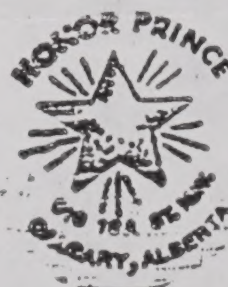
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Stratford, Ont. N3A 3L1

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Willowdale, Ont. M2M 3W4

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71 Golf Club Rd.
Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5M3

Incidentally, as of November 20th we have received 36 'Renewals.' And that's before and renewal request was mailed out. Thanks members.

A REPEAT: I learned something new last month. One must be very careful when sending info. printed by a computer (dot matrix, I assume) to be copied. On Page 5 of last month's Timber Talk was a listing by Norm Belsten noting a number of things after reviewing Norm Wells' Catalogue. Some copies are barely legible, others look blank. Therefore, I will type it below, hopefully error free on my part:

"The following are a list of additions and deletions from the previous books by Norm Wells. There are several # changes that owners of the old books should be made aware of, along with several # that have been left out or deleted.

- 2200-1A and 1b were changed to 2000-3 and 2000-4b in the new book
- 2000-2 in sup #2 was changed to 2000-3 in sup #3 then back to 2000-2 in new book
- 2200-2 in sup 3 was changed to 2200-5 in sup 4 and new book
- 2450-21 in sup 4 is deleted from new book
- 3350-8 had 3350-8b added in sup 1, it has been delisted in new book
- 4620-7a and 7b cancelled and listed under USC-1a and 1b in new book
- 5500-10 had 5500-10b added in sup 1, but is delisted in new book
- 5610-4 had 5610-4b added in sup 1, but is delisted in new book
- 5670-5 in second edition green book is not listed in new book
- 5715-4c was added in sup 3 but is delisted in new book
- 5888-1b and 5888-2 are the same wood
- 5900-17e added in sup 1 is delisted in new book
- 5900-21b added in sup 1 is delisted in new book
- 5900-31a, 31b, 31c, 31d are now listed under CVS woods
- 5900-35c added in sup 1 is not in new book
- 5900-37c added in sup 1 is not in new book
- 5900-39a, 39b, 39c are listed under CAVCA woods
- 5950-5c added in sup 3 is not in new book
- 7530-19 a and b added in sup 3 are not listed in new book
- 8700-7c added in sup 3 not in new book
- 8720-1a, 1b, 1c from 2nd edition green book not in new book
- 9625-7 now listed as 9635-8 in new book
- 9800-37-1 not listed in new book
- 9850-12 now listed as 4d in new book
- 9850-15 now listed as 4e in new book " Thanks Norm.

WOODEN MONEY AUCTION: Some of you will remember John M. Plasterer of Shippensburg, Pennsylvania (CAWMC - # C-18) who passed away about 7 years ago. It appears that John's coin, military, and wood collection is all being sold by auction, or rather were sold on November 10, 1984. I received a listing from Kerry Pae Auctioneers of Dauphin, Pa. Under 'Wooden Money' two lines appear: "Over 10,000 pcs. of wooden nickels & Money including: every state, Sambo's, merchants, events, bicentennials from all over the U. S. Absolutely unbelievable collection." That must have been some collection. I also know that John had many Canadian wood as well. As an added note, when John was in the hospital after a heart attack, he designed a series for Shippensburg College, multi-colored, with a separate letter (and other info) on each

wood spelling - S-h-i-p-p-e-n-s-b-u-r-g C-o-l-l-e-g-e, P-e-n-n-s-y-l-v-a-n-i-a and a flat title card. I was very pleased to buy a set from John at the first ever wood show (10th Anniversary of IOWMC) in Columbus, Ohio in 1974.

NEW WOOD: Don J. Smith from South Porcupine, Ontario has sent an article on Issues 3-4-5 of the Timmins Coin Club wood.

WOOD FROM TIMMINS - CITY WITH A HEART OF GOLD

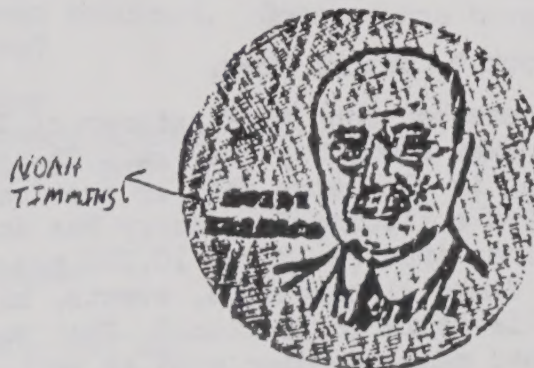
Issues 3, 4, and 5 of the proposed series of 12 have been issued by the Timmins Coin Club. The third issue features the late J. V. Bonhomme, a local real-estate entrepreneur and gold optimist and investor. It is printed in blue (left) and red (right).

Issue no. 4 is of Frederick W. Schumacher, wealthy resident of Columbus, Ohio, pioneer in gold prospecting and mining in 1909. School children of the Town of Schumacher, which bears his name, (now part of the City of Timmins) are still remembered with Christmas gifts from a foundation that carries on the tradition started by the Philanthropist in 1923. Schumacher (who died in 1957), continues to be a Santa Claus of the Community which he founded - a tradition lasting 61 years. Issue 4 is blue (left) and purple (right).

The most recent issue features NOAH TIMMINS, Mining Magnate, the first President of Hollinger Mines, and founder of the Timmins Townsite in 1912. The printing of this piece is very attractive in brown (left) and gold (right), using the latest printing techniques. [Hot stamping using metal foil.-Ed.]

Issues 1 and 2 had a mintage of 1000 each, whereas the latest three issues consist of 250 pieces each. The series is to help celebrate Ontario's BiCentennial, from the "Largest Mining Municipality in the World." All issues of the woods are available from Don Smith, Box 1746, South Porcupine, Ontario P0N 1H0 Canada at a cost of 50¢ each plus SASE. (Note: Postage to Canada 32¢, to the U. S. 37¢ Canadian postage, or if you prefer U. S. Collectors can include a 20¢ U.S. stamp - LOOSE for their postage.)

NOTE: For those of you who may not be aware of it, Don Smith is the CAWMC member that designed the CAWMC logo a number of years ago.



FOR SALE: Richard R. Saunders of 831 Hanson Street, Fredericton, N. B. E3B 4A6 issued 200 wood (pictured below). Although not shown in the copies, each has a serial number on the rim. (This one is # 26.) Perhaps such rim-edge numbering is a new idea. The woods are 50¢ each plus SASE.

ROYAL VISIT
FOR
N.B.'s 200TH
SEPTEMBER
1984



COMPUTERS *%\$#@: Computers can be great, however they can also cause problems. As I was typing this issue last night, building security advised me that the lights will be shut off at 7:00 PM. That was nothing new as the computer automatically shuts all the lights off then. However the Security Staff can punch in the appropriate code to over-ride the computer. Well it seems that yesterday someone in Edmonton threw a master seitch (off) and wiped out the computer memory for the over-ride instructions. I was informed that it would take Honeywell 4 hours to run the tape back through the computer. Hence my typing stopped before Timber Talk was finished. Oh well, 6:30 the next morning and I'm back at it.

NEWS FLASH: We now have a printer of Balsa wood flats in Canada. As you know Frank DeGilio is reducing his wooden flat production due to health reasons. CAWMC Member Vic Borrow of Weston, Ontario has decided to give it a whirl. Please remember that this is not Vic's business, it is still his hobby. Everyone that I have talked to is very impressed with the quality of Vic's work and we all support him in his new venture. An article on the next page is an article on the wood by Vic. Below are two designs used for the large Christmas cards.



I have just received these two cuts which will be used on the 3 x 4 inch flats and am in the process of designing the appropriate wording, colours and eye appeal.



DUES: Please send in your dues to Don Robb now before you get. We don't like to keep reminding you and we sure don't like to remove names from our membership roster!

BALSA FLATS

V.L. Borrow

I was first introduced to Balsa flats in 1982 at one of the local coin shows. Over the speaker system they mentioned that there was to be, in 10 minutes, a wooden money meeting. Having a lot of spare time and nothing to lose I headed for the meeting only to find about 15 people sitting around some tables. Of course I did not know anyone at this get together but was soon introduced to Belsen, Brown, Bliman, Wells and many others. Russel Brown showed us his display case which held his complete set of Praying Hands on balsa flats and giving me the impression that he will KILL anyone who dared to touch his display or even cough near it. Standing back about 2 feet-not wanting a knife in my ribs-I mentioned the fact that they were beautiful and something that I would like to own. I have to admit that he was not too informative and making out that these were very rare and that through his connections he was lucky to acquire this complete set of flats.

I immediately started to write letters to other collectors and started to make deals and trades and at present still need the following 3 flats. Numbers 5675-5-C, D, & Q. While I was chasing these flats I came across others and I now collect all flats both from Canada and the U.S.A.

In 1983 I decided to have my first Xmas wood in a flat form but was immediately told that the supplier is not feeling well and will not be producing any flats this year so I quickly made my own Xmas round which I offered free to all CAWMC members.

Hearing that the supplier may soon retire from producing these eye appealing flats, really left me with a sorry and sad feeling so I decided that someone must find the time and patience to carry on with this most eye appealing and eye pleasing part of wood collecting.

My first visit to a small printing outfit-to pick their brains- left me in a rather funny predicament. One part of me did not want to get involved into something that I never had the required skills and yet a second part of me kept pushing and telling me that someone must get their feet wet and that I was the idiot.

It has taken me a year to acquire a small press and 22 trays of different sizes of various type. So far I have made Xmas flats for 8 club members and am willing to make and fill other orders. I must charge 40¢ each for the 2 X 3 inch and 45¢ each for the 3 X 4 inch size PLUS POSTAGE. A minimum of 50 for each flat is required. I will also make for Conventions or for other functions.

As this is strictly a one man operation and only as a hobby I hope that this article will help a few collectors. At present I am set-up to make 3 different kinds of 1984 Xmas flats but can alter or place any type of wording on the reverse side.

If interested please write to : V.L. Borrow 167 Church St. Weston Ontario Canada M9N 1N6

